

HOW IT WAS IN 1976 -- II

Last week's "Messenger" gave some of the statistical summary of the life of Duke Memorial for 1976 in terms of membership figures. Now, let's look in brief at what we did in stewardship of money. Do remember that stewardship is a term far larger than only money; but, remembering the words of our Lord (one fourth of His teachings bear on what we do with our money!), let's see how it was.

Giving: In fulfillment of pledges we gave \$180,162.68. Because of other income, our total came to \$193,150.09. Money from the Memorial Church fund for major renovation and major repairs, plus purchase of the new parking area, brought the total of every sort to \$269,471.00.

How we spent it: Our major outreach was in the Conference "bucket" figure, the Single Figure Asking to which we gave \$48,000.00. About \$3,700 went in direct Advance Special giving for special missions projects. \$1,000 helped underwrite the work of the Ministerial Education Fund. \$500 went to Lake Junaluska renovation and improvements. About \$65,000 was spent on salaries locally. Utilities cost \$22,514 plus \$1,879.95 for telephone service. About \$9,500 went into program work of the Council on Ministries. This figure includes partial support for two missionaries in South America. For local benevolences, we spent \$4,079.

What it means: This part of this column is up to you! All this represents our response to God's mercy in giving to us the means to be stewards in terms of money. It involves us in large sums for "housekeeping", meaning the provision of a center in which to worship, study, plan, and seek agreement on how we reach into the world around us. The increase in outreach is tied to our increase in giving. Duke Memorial has made great strides recently in concern and expression of that concern, as well as in fully underwriting our program and current work. Further growth in giving would enable us to do more. How do you feel about that?

-- Ed Smith

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LAY RALLY

The Durham District Lay Rally is set for Tuesday, 15 February, in the Civic Center. Tickets for the supper at \$3.00 each may be had from Church Lay Leader Tom Coble, from Jack Cliff, or through the church office. Serving for the meal begins at 5:30 and the program will begin at 7:00. It is not necessary to buy a ticket in order to attend the program. The principal speaker is the Reverend Robert Morgan of Birmingham, Alabama. Plan to participate!

NOON LENTEN SERVICE

Duke Memorial will have mid-day Lenten Services beginning Feb. 24th and continuing every Wednesday through April 6th. These devotional services will begin at 12:10 in the Bradshaw Room and will be led by members of our congregation. At 12:30 a soup and sandwich lunch at modest cost will be served in the Fellowship Hall. You are invited to come and bring your neighbors and friends for this time of worship and fellowship each Wednesday during Lent.

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*The Commission on Education
Proudly Announces*

SPRING SPECIAL STUDIES

Three Sunday Evenings
March 6, 13, 20
5:00 - 7:30

Open to the Duke Memorial
Learning Community

Courses to be Offered:

1. "Grow Healthier As You Grow Older" - Physical Fitness
2. "Enhancing Communication Skills"
3. "An Approach to Studying the Old Testament"
4. "Fun in the Kitchen"

More information and registration blanks will be distributed soon - we just wanted you to know about SPECIAL STUDIES now, so you can save these dates!!!

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ORGAN AND FLUTE CONCERT

A program of organ and flute will be presented in the Sanctuary on February 20, at 4:00 p.m. by Michael E. Arrowood, organ, and Dr. Michael Hamilton, flute.

Michael Arrowood is a member of the Physician's Associate Program Class of 1978 at Duke and he is a member of the DM Choir.

Dr. Hamilton is a physician and serves as program director for the Physician's Associate Program at Duke. He has played frequently for our Services at Duke Memorial.

Edith Toms, Music Committee Chairman, has appointed Sarah McCracken and Virginia Thomas to be in charge of the Reception in the Bradshaw Room following the program. It will be an opportunity for the congregation to meet with and to express their appreciation to these artists who have adopted our church family.

CHURCH WORLD SERVICE CLOTHING APPEAL

The CWS trucks will return to N.C. during the third week in February. Therefore, it's time to look through our closets and find all the clothing and blankets we can spare.

Blankets for refugees and disaster victims are especially needed now. Good used blankets or electric ones that no longer work will be useful. New blankets can be purchased by CWS for \$4.25.

Please pack your things in boxes that do not weigh over 40 lbs., tie them with strong cord, and take them to the clothing depot as follows: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

February 14-18

Northgate Presbyterian Church, 2504 Roxboro Rd. (at the side entrance on Ellerby St.)

It costs 10¢ per lb. to process the clothing. Checks for precessing should be sent to CWS Clothing Appeal, Box 968, Elkhart, Indiana, 46514. (Clothing may also be left at our church office, if you cannot get to depot.)

LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD - February 6, 1977

Attendance: Church School 202
Morning Worship 315

Financial Report

Due each week 3,802.41
Received last Sunday 3,123.04
Received to date 29,228.19
Needed through last Sunday 22,814.46

OUR NEWEST MEMBERS: Welcomed into membership in Duke Memorial last Sunday were Mr. & Mrs. Steve Dean (Gayle), Kathy Fox and Todd Fox.

This family lives at 4600 Regal Wood St. & their phone is 477-2488. Todd was received by Confirmation and Vows; the other family members came by transfer from Thrasher Memorial UM Church, Vinter, Va. Welcome them by visit or phone as part of our church family.

L A S E R

Legislative Affairs: Study, Explore, Respond
Tues, Feb. 22 - Thurs. Feb. 24

LASER is a conference-sponsored event that encourages Senior High youth to become involved in legislative issues in an exciting and challenging way. Visits to state legislative sessions, dialogues with legislators, group strategy sessions, conversations exploring how Christian values affect political decision-making are all part of the experience.

LASER is open to the first 40 Sr. Highs to apply. Cost is \$20. Some scholarship help is available. See Margaret Anne for registration blanks.

OUR KNOWN HOSPITAL SICK to be remembered in your prayers:

DCGH:	Joy Long	7320
	Roy Edwards	7230
	Grace McLean	5114
	Betty King	5322
	Leah Boddie	6120
	Virginia Hooley	5311
	J. H. Barton	5318

BE A DETECTIVE.... Help Us Locate Two Missing Items!

Two cassette tape recorders are missing from our audio-visual equipment closet. We only own two recorders, so our problem becomes immediately apparent! Do you have any information that will help us locate them? If so, please call Margaret Anne at once!!

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES - February 13-19

Sun. 9:45 am - Church School
10:55 am - Morning Worship
5:00 pm - Children and Youth Choirs
6:00 pm - Jr. and Sr. UMYF
Mon. 10:00 am - Circle 10 with Mrs. Dot Aydlett, 1715 Kent St., Mrs. Margaret Copeland, Co-hostess
Tues. 10:00 am - Circle 8 with Mrs. Anne Marie Langford, Rev. Helen Crowell will speak on ERA.
Wed. 10:00 am - Craft Workshops will resume. Bring a sandwich and stay for lunch.
Sat. - Open Door Progressive Dinner

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THIS SUNDAY IN OUR CHURCH - February 13, 1977 Sexagesima Sunday

The Epistle: II Cor. 11:19-12:9
The Sermon: "Boasting About Weakness????"
Rev. Robert Wallace
Acolytes: Andrew Shoaf and David Younts
Greeters: Mr. & Mrs. H. M. Brinkley, Jr.
Jr. Church Leaders: Mr. and Mrs. Gary Jeffrey, Mrs. W. L. Shapp